

Assembly Bill No. 2091

CHAPTER 254

An act to add Section 23824.1 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to alcoholic beverages.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2091, Alpert. Alcoholic beverages: licenses: convention centers and event centers.

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Act limits the number of on-sale general alcoholic beverage licenses which may be issued in any county based on the ratio of licenses to the specific number of inhabitants in the county. The act provides that premises owned by the state, any incorporated city, county, city and county, airport district, or other district or public corporation of the state, or premises leased to any city or county, shall be exempt from the limitation, provided the premises are operated as a bona fide public eating place, with specified exceptions.

This bill would extend this exemption to convention centers and event centers which are operated by municipal, independent nonprofit agencies for the purpose of providing meeting rooms, exhibit space, or event and theatrical seating. The bill would require that any license issued pursuant to these provisions be issued only on the condition that all revenues generated from the license be segregated and allocated for the operations and capital requirements of the convention center or event center.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 23824.1 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

23824.1. (a) The provisions of Section 23824 shall apply to convention centers and event centers which are operated by municipal, independent nonprofit agencies for the purpose of providing meeting rooms, exhibit space, or event and theatrical seating, or all of these.

(b) Any license issued pursuant to this section shall be issued only upon condition that all revenues generated from the license shall be segregated and allocated for the operations and capital requirements of the convention center or event center only.

(c) For purposes of this section, "event center" means a community center, activity center, auditorium, convention center,

arena, or other building, collection of buildings, or facility which is used exclusively or primarily for the holding of exhibitions, conventions, meetings, spectacles, concerts, or shows.

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